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UNRESERVED RAILWAY COACHES AND INTRODUCTION OF TRAINS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria adopted for attaching unreserved coaches in long distance passenger trains and whether the same is being followed; and

(b) the measures taken to introduce direct trains between Ujjain-Ratlam-Udaipur, Ujjain-Nagda- Mathura, Ujjain-Nemach-Ujjain, Ujjain-Nagda-Kota-Amritsar, Kota-Shyamgarh-Nagda-Ratlam which are the major cities of Western-Railways and Western-Central Railways?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(SHRI R. VELU)

(a): The composition of trains depends upon nature of train, availability of coaches, operational feasibility and traffic pattern. The new trains with new rakes except the fully reserved trains like Rajdhanis, Shatabdis, Jan Shatabdis and Garib Raths are provided with six unreserved coaches. Besides, efforts are also made to increase the number of unreserved coaches in the existing trains wherever feasible and justified. During 2007-2008, 329 unreserved second class coaches were augmented in the existing trains.

(b): Introduction of Indore-Udaipur Express (Tri-weekly) via Ratlam, Surat-Muzaffarpur Express (Weekly) and increase in frequency of 2947/2948 Ahmedabad-Patna Azimabad Express via Ratlam, Kota, Bayana from weekly to bi-weekly has been announced in Railway Budget 2008-09. However, there is no proposal for introduction of trains between Ujjain-Nagda-Mathura and Ujjain-Nagda-Kota-Amritsar at present.